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In re Application of:
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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR
PERFORMING TIME-BASED
AUTHENTICATION

DECISION ON REQUEST TO
WITHDRAW AS ATTORNEY
OR AGENT

This is a decision on the Request To Withdraw from Representation filed March 08, 2004.

A grantable request to withdraw as attorney of record should indicate thereon the present mailing addresses of the attorney(s) who is/are withdrawing from the record and of the applicant. The request for withdrawal must be signed by every attorney seeking to withdraw or contain a clear indication that one attorney is signing on behalf of another/others. A request to withdraw will not be approved unless at least 30 (thirty) days would remain between the date of approval and the later of the expiration date of a time to file a response or the expiration date of the maximum time period which can be extended under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a). The effective date of withdrawal being the date of decision and not the date of request. See M.P.E.P. § 402.06. 37 C.F.R. § 1.36 further requires that the applicant or patent owner be notified of the withdrawal of the attorney or agent.

The request filed March 08, 2004 meets all the requirements. Accordingly the request is **GRANTED**.

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